

Master Docent Series Workshops

Open to everyone with an interest in our
community's history.

Saturday, February 29, 2020 * 8:30 am - 4:00 pm

**Evangelical Reformed United Church of Christ
(ERUCC)**

(15 West Church Street, Frederick, MD)

A special venue to celebrate the Church's 275th anniversary.

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- ♦ *In Freedom's Name* (a traveling exhibit)
- ♦ 275 Years of History at ERUCC
 - ♦ Trinity Chapel Tour
- ♦ Tales of Espionage & Intrigue

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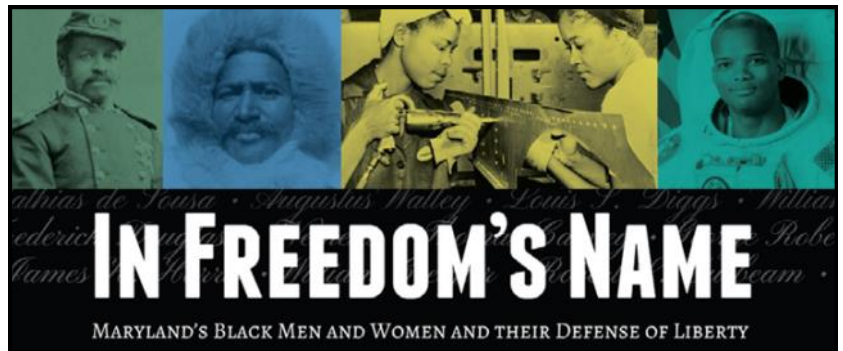


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8:30 am Registration & Continental Breakfast**9:00 am In Freedom's Name: Maryland's Black Men & Women and their Defense of Liberty (*A Curator's Talk by Glenn Johnston*)**

The Maryland Military Historical Society, in partnership with Stevenson University's Department of Public History & Humanities, has developed a traveling exhibit that celebrates the military service and sacrifice of Black Marylanders. The 38 illustrated panels span the earliest days of the colony up through the Vietnam War and into space exploration. The stories of both men and women are included. This exhibit was recently hosted, for three months, in Frederick by FCPL and AARCH.



Glenn Johnston is the Chair of the Department of Humanities & Public History, as well as University Archivist at Stevenson University. He serves on the board of the Maryland Military Historical Society.

10:00 am The Local Legend of Our Lady of the Fields (*Scott Keefer*)

The Daughters of Charity in Emmitsburg have told the story of Our Lady of the Fields for close to 150 years. But to most people's memory, the factual connection to one of the great colonial families of Frederick County is lost, as is its status as a relic of the so-called "Penal Period" of Maryland Catholic history, which lives in the story through re-interpreting and re-telling.

Scott Keefer has been the Provincial Archivist for the Daughters of Charity, Province of St. Louise in Emmitsburg, MD in the far north of Frederick County since 2018. The Provincial Archives is dedicated to telling the story of the Daughters of Charity in the United States; their history of service to the poor; and of their American founder, Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton.

11:00 am *275 Years of History — Evangelical Reformed UCC* (*Rev. Dr. Barbara Kershner Daniel and Jennie Russell*)

ERUCC is an Open and Affirming congregation of the United Church of Christ, welcoming all, respecting their rich heritage as one of Frederick's oldest downtown churches, and serving the present as a leader in social action and service to the community. To celebrate their 275th year they invite us to develop a greater understanding of their history, their buildings, and their ever expanding role in Frederick.

Rev. Dr. Barbara Kershner Daniel began her ministry with Evangelical Reformed UCC in 2006. She is the Church's 16th pastor. Rev. Daniel will present a brief history of the Church, discuss its mission, and present community initiatives.

Jennie Russell, Frederick native, Brunner descendant, and ERUCC Archivist will highlight the connections between the Brunner family and the German Reformed Church, along with the Church's connections to the Steiner House and family.

11:30 - 12:30 Group A Lunch & Group B Church Tours
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1:30 pm **Keeping History Relevant Conversations & Practical Tips:**
What We Learned at SMA and Are Sorry You Missed.

2:00 pm ***Lori Swerda: From Docent to Novelist***

Author & Master Docent Lori Swerda will discuss the continuum of her history career from a docent at Rose Hill Manor to the successful publication of her first novel about the murder of Francis Scott Key's son. Has the way she "does" history changed? How does her interpretation of facts and story differ in her two history professions? How has being a docent influenced her writing? And, what did happen to Philip Key?

Lori Swerda, the author of Star-Spangled Scandal: A Novel, loves history and has journeyed across the United States to trace the story of Philip Key and bring to life the personalities behind this tragic event. Books will be available for purchase.



3:00 pm *Spy Trial in Fredericktown: United States vs. General James Wilkinson (Howard W. Cox)*

In 1811, Frederick was the site of the trial of the highest federal official ever tried for espionage. Gen. James Wilkinson, chief of staff of the US Army was tried for being the paid agent of Spain. He was also tried for being a co-conspirator of Aaron Burr, and for killing 1/4 of the entire army through incompetence and greed.

Howard W. Cox, a Frederick resident, is a retired federal prosecutor, Army JAG officer and a member of the Senior Intelligence Service of the CIA. He is working on a biography of Gen. Wilkinson.



To discover more about these exciting topics check out some of these books available from Frederick County Public Libraries:

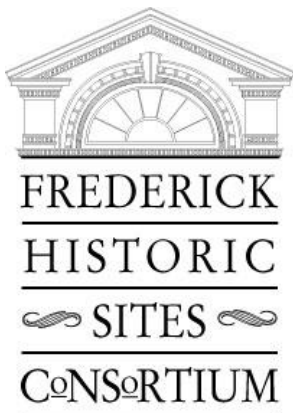
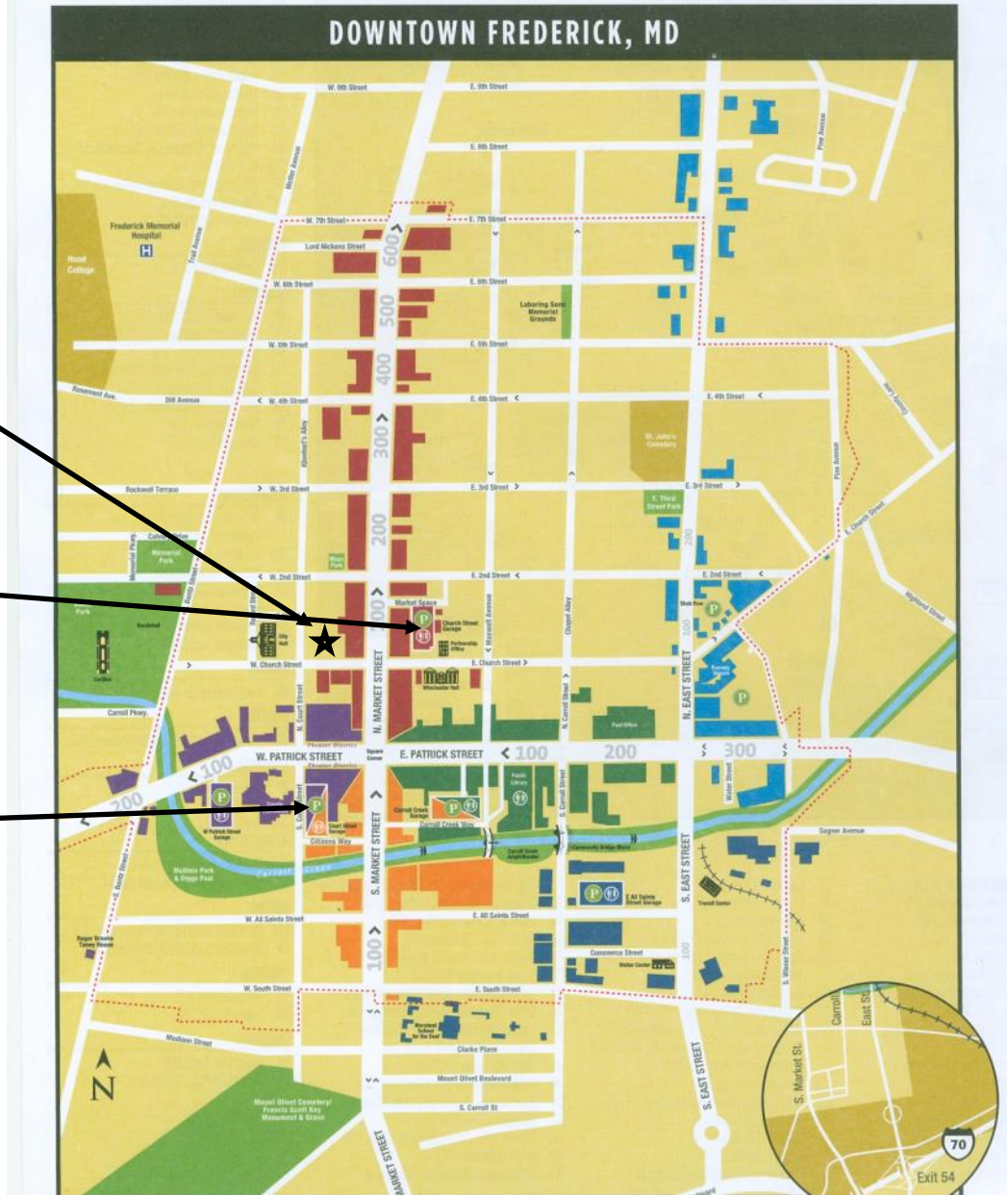
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- Linklater, Andrew. *An Artist in Treason : the Extraordinary Life of General James Wilkinson*. 2009.
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- Ranck, James. *History of the Evangelical Reformed Church Frederick Maryland*. 1964.
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- Wenner, Frederick. *The Civil War Comes to Frederick's Churches 150 Years Ago*. 2012.
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Workshop Location
Evangelical
Reformed UCC
 15 West Church Street



Parking
Church Street
Parking Garage
 17 East Church Street

Court Street
Parking Garage
 2 South Court Street



*Day-of questions, lost & found, directions, or other information
 please contact Consortium Co-Chairs:*

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Name(s): _____

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Are you a docent/volunteer in Frederick County?

If yes please name site: _____

☐ Yes

☐ No

Are you a docent/volunteer outside of Frederick County?

If yes please name site: _____

☐ Yes

☐ No

Registration Fee (continental breakfast and lunch included)

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\$40 for Frederick County Residents/Docents/Volunteers

\$45 for Non-Frederick County Residents/Docents/Volunteers

**Contribution to the Bertha J. Kennedy Memorial Fund
(Supports future programs)**

Total payment

*FCC and Hood Undergraduates may attend for free (lunch will not be included)
and must text Mary Mannix (301-266-3229) to register.*

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